

**California Office of Health Information Integrity**  
**Notice of Public Forum**  
**for**  
**California Confidentiality of Medical Information Act (CMIA)**  
**and**  
**Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)**

The California Office of Health Information Integrity (CalOHII), in collaboration with the Privacy and Security Steering Teams, is reviewing and studying the impact of harmonizing CMIA with HIPAA. This public forum is to provide a venue and opportunity for hearing comments and recommendations regarding adoption of HIPAA as the base in California.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

CalOHII will hold the public forum on July 9, 2012 at the following location:

California Department of Social Services  
Office Building #9 - Auditorium  
744 P Street  
Sacramento, California

The public forum will convene at 9:00 a.m. and will remain open only as long as attendees are presenting input. The purpose of the forum is to receive public input, not to engage in debate or discussion. The forum will adjourn immediately following the completion of public presentations.

**WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD**

Any interested person, or his or her authorized representative, may submit written input relevant to the law harmonization to CalOHII. The written input period closes at 5:00 p.m. on July 17, 2012. CalOHII will consider only input received at the CalOHII office or by email by that time. Submit comments to:

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## CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVES

CalOHII invites interested persons to present statements with respect to alternatives to harmonizing CMLA with HIPAA at the scheduled public forum on July 9, 2012. CalOHII also will accept written statements during the written comment period which ends on July 17, 2012.

Please direct requests for copies of the law harmonization documentation to Azadeh Mohandessi-Fares or Tracy Meeker at the above addresses and phone numbers.

## AVAILABILITY OF TEXT OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

The proposed law harmonization documentation will be available for review on or after June 25, 2012. Copies may also be obtained from the CalOHII website at: <http://www.ohi.ca.gov/calohi> or by contacting Azadeh Mohandessi-Fares or Tracy Meeker at the addresses or phone numbers listed above.